

Regulatory Section

Christmas Trees from Canada

Contents

This subsection discusses Christmas trees coming from Canada. These Christmas trees are conifers. The term "conifers" refers to cone-bearing trees. Common examples include pine, fir, spruce, hemlock, and Douglas fir.

Use the following decision tables to take the appropriate course of action.

TABLE 12-1: Cut Christmas trees or boughs

If from:	Then:
The Province of Ontario or Quebec	GO to Table 12-2
The Province of British Columbia, New Brunswick or Nova Scotia	GO to Table 12-5
A province other than Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia	GO to Table 12-8

TABLE 12-2: Cut Christmas trees or boughs from Ontario or Quebec

If:	Then:
A pine species (for example, white pine, Scotch or Scots pine)	GO to Table 12-3
Not a pine species (for example, fir, spruce, hemlock, Douglas fir)	GO to Table 12-4

TABLE 12-3: Cut PINE Christmas trees or branches from Ontario or Quebec

If destined to:	And:	Then:
CT, DE, DC, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, or VT	Accompanied by either of these documents:	RELEASE
	 ◆ A Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the following Additional Declarations: (1) "The trees were inspected and found free from Tomicus piniperda, pine shoot beetle." or (2) "The trees were grown in an area not known to be infested by Tomicus piniperda, pine shoot beetle." or (3) "The trees have been treated with methyl bromide to kill Tomicus piniperda, pine shoot beetle." The details of the treatment must be recorded in the treatment block. 	
	◆ A Canadian Certificate of Origin¹ stating that "The trees were grown in an area not known to be infested by pine shoot beetle."	
	The certificates must also state the county or MRC ² , and province where the trees were grown.	
	Lacks the documents described above	CONTACT PPQ
Other than a State listed above	Accompanied by a Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the following Additional Declarations:	RELEASE
	(1) "The trees were inspected and found free from <i>Tomicus piniperda</i> , pine shoot beetle." or (2) "The trees were grown in an area not known to be infested by <i>Tomicus piniperda</i> , pine shoot beetle." or (3) "The trees have been treated with methyl bromide to kill <i>Tomicus piniperda</i> , pine shoot beetle." The details of the treatment must be recorded in the treatment block.	
	Lacks a Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the above Additional Declarations	CONTACT PPQ

1 The Certificate of Origin must be addressed to the Plant Protection Organization of the United States, and must contain the following statement: "The (items) described below are products of Canada, produced in the county of (name of county) in the province of (name of province) in an area where gypsy moth, *Lymantria dispar*, does not occur." The Certificate of Origin must also contain the following information:

The exporter's name

The exporter's address

A description of the product, including quantity, species, and common name

The exporter's identification number

Exporters must print their name and sign and date the Certificate of Origin.

2 MRC = Municipalité régionale de comté. This is a level of local government in the province of Quebec.

TABLE 12-4: Cut Christmas trees or branches OTHER THAN PINE from Ontario or Quebec

If destined to:	And:	Then:
CT, DE, DC, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, or VT		RELEASE
Other than a state listed above	Accompanied by either of these documents: ◆ A Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the following Additional Declarations: (1) "The trees were inspected and found free from Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." or (2) "The trees have been treated with methyl bromide to kill Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." The details of the treatment must be recorded in the treatment block.	
	◆ A Canadian Certificate of Origin ¹	
	The certificates must also state the county or MRC ² , and province where the trees were grown.	
	Lacks the documents described above	CONTACT PPQ

1 The Certificate of Origin must be addressed to the Plant Protection Organization of the United States, and must contain the following statement: "The (items) described below are products of Canada, produced in the county of (name of county) in the province of (name of province) in an area where gypsy moth, *Lymantria dispar*, does not occur." The Certificate of Origin must also contain the following information:

The exporter's name
The exporter's address
A description of the product, including quantity, species, and common name
The exporter's identification number

Exporters must print their name and sign and date the Certificate of Origin.

2 MRC = Municipalité régionale de comté. This is a level of local government in the province of Quebec.

TABLE 12-5: Cut Christmas trees or branches from British Columbia, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia

If:	
A pine species (for example, white pine, Scotch or Scots pine)	GO to Table 12-6
Not a pine species (for example, fir, spruce, hemlock, Douglas fir)	GO to Table 12-7

TABLE 12-6: Cut PINE Christmas trees or branches from British Columbia, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia

If destined to:	And:	Then:
CT, DE, DC, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, or VT		RELEASE
Other than a State listed above	Accompanied by either of these documents: ◆ A Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the following Additional Declarations: (1) "The trees were inspected and found free from Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." or (2) "The trees have been treated with methyl bromide to kill Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." The details of the treatment must be recorded in the treatment block. ◆ A Canadian Certificate of Origin¹	
	The certificates must also state the county and province where the trees were grown.	
	Lacks the documents described above	CONTACT PPQ

The Certificate of Origin must be addressed to the Plant Protection Organization of the United States, and must contain the following statement: "The (items) described below are products of Canada, produced in the county of (name of county) in the province of (name of province) in an area where gypsy moth, *Lymantria dispar*, does not occur." The Certificate of Origin must also contain the following information:

The exporter's name

The exporter's address

A description of the product, including quantity, species, and common name The exporter's identification number

Exporters must print their name and sign and date the Certificate of Origin.

TABLE 12-7: Cut Christmas trees or branches OTHER THAN PINE from British Columbia, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia

If destined to:	And:	Then:
CT, DE, DC, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, or VT	-	RELEASE
Other than a State listed above	Accompanied by either of these documents: ◆ A Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with one of the following Additional Declarations: (1) "The trees were inspected and found free from Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." or (2) "The trees have been treated with methyl bromide to kill Lymantria dispar, gypsy moth." The details of the treatment must be recorded in the treatment block. ◆ A Canadian Certificate of Origin¹ The certificates must also state the county and province where the trees were grown.	
	Lacks the documents described above	CONTACT PPQ

1 The Certificate of Origin must be addressed to the Plant Protection Organization of the United States, and must contain the following statement: "The (items) described below are products of Canada, produced in the county of (name of county) in the province of (name of province) in an area where gypsy moth, Lymantria dispar, does not occur." The Certificate of Origin must also contain the following information:

The exporter's name

The exporter's address

A description of the product, including quantity, species, and common name

The exporter's identification number

Exporters must print their name and sign and date the Certificate of Origin.

TABLE 12-8: Cut Christmas trees or branches from a province OTHER THAN Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia, New Brunswick, or Nova Scotia

If:	Then:
Accompanied by either of these documents:	RELEASE
◆ A Canadian Phytosanitary Certificate with the following Additional Declaration: "The trees were grown in an area not known to be infested by gypsy moth."	
◆ A Canadian Certificate of Origin ¹	
The certificates must also state the county and province where the trees were grown.	
Lacks the documents described above	CONTACT PPQ

The Certificate of Origin must be addressed to the Plant Protection Organization of the United States, and must contain the following statement: "The (items) described below are products of Canada, produced in the county of (name of county) in the province of (name of province) in an area where gypsy moth, *Lymantria dispar*, does not occur." The Certificate of Origin must also contain the following information:

The exporter's name

The exporter's address

A description of the product, including quantity, species, and common name

The exporter's identification number

Exporters must print their name and sign and date the Certificate of Origin.